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READ THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS THOROUGHLY AND TRY TO UNDERSTAND AND WRITE IN YOUR H.W.COPY.

Class 12 Geography Chapter 3 NCERT Extra Questions

Class 12 Geography Chapter 3 Very Short Answer Type Questions

Question 1.

Name the states with lowest & highest percentage -of people below poverty line.

Answer:

As per 2001 data of Planning Commission of India the state with lowest percentage of people below poverty line is Jammu and Kashmir, where Odisha has the highest number of people below poverty line.

Question 2.

Which factors differentiate states with high HDI value from low HDI value?

Answer:

There are several socio-political, economic and historical reasons that differentiate the states with high farm states with low HDI values.

Question 3.

What do you mean by development?

Answer:

It is freedom which is often associated with modernisation, leisure, comfort and affluence. In the present context, computerisation, industrialisation, efficient transport and communication network, large education system, advanced and modern medical facilities, safety and security of individuals, etc. are considered as the symbols of development.

Question 4.

'Development is biased'. Justify the statement.

Answer:

Development of a few regions, individuals brought about in a short span of time leads to poverty and malnutrition for many along with large scale ecological degradation. It makes one feel that development is biased. But actual development is one which improves quality of life for one and all.

Question 5.

What components are considered as symbols of development?

Answer:

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Question 6.

Explain the meaning of development in context of India.

Answer:

Every individual, community and government measures its performance or levels of development in relation to the availability and access to some of these things. But, this may be partial and one-sided view of development.

Question 7.

Who are the most marginalized group in Indian context?

Answer:

It is a well-established fact that majority of the scheduled castes, scheduled tribes, landless agricultural labourers, poor farmers and slums dwellers, etc. are the most marginalized group in Indian context.

Question 8.

What is special in Human Development Report, 1993?

Answer:

According to the Human Development Report 1993, "progressive democratization and increasing empowerment of people are seen as the minimum conditions for human development". Moreover, it also mentions that "development must be woven around people, not the people around development".

Question 9.

On what basis has Planning Commission of India prepared Human Development Report?

Answer:

Using the indicators selected by the UNDP, the Planning Commission of India also prepared the Human Development Report for India. It used states and the Union Territories as the units of analysis. Subsequently, each state government also started preparing the state level Human Development Reports, using districts as the units of analysis.

Question 10.

What is considered the key to human development?

Answer:

Enlarging the range of people's choices is the most significant aspect of human development. People's choices may involve a host of other issues, but, living a long and healthy life, to be educated and have access to resources needed for a decent

standard of living including political freedom, guaranteed human rights and personal self-respect, etc. are considered key to human development.

Question 11.

“Poverty is a state of deprivation”. Explain.

Answer:

Poverty is a state of deprivation. In absolute terms, it reflects the inability of an individual to satisfy certain basic needs for a sustained, healthy and reasonably productive living. It is a state where a person is deprived of even the most basic needs of life.

Question 12.

Life free from illness and ailment and living a reasonably long lifespan are indicative of a healthy life. Explain.

Answer:

Availability of pre and post-natal health care facilities in order to reduce infant mortality and post delivery deaths among mothers, old age health care, adequate nutrition and safety of individual are some important measures of a healthy and reasonably long life.

Question 13.

‘Development is freedom’. What does this statement signify?

Answer:

‘Development is freedom’. It means freedom from hunger, poverty, servitude, bondage, ignorance, illiteracy and any other forms of domination is the key to human development. Freedom in real sense of the term is possible only with the empowerment and participation of the people in the exercise of their capabilities and choices in the society.

Question 14.

In which states is the literacy rate high?

Answer:

Total literacy as well as female literacy is higher than the national average in most of the states from South India. [Kerala and Mizoram have literacy rates of 90.92 and 88.49% respectively].

Question 15.

Name five countries with the highest HDI ranking.

Answer:

Norway has the highest HDI index in the world with 0.963 followed by Australia with 0.955, Sweden with 0.949, Switzerland with 0.947 and USA with 0.944.

Question 16.

Which five states of India have the lowest rank in HDI?

Answer:

In India, Human Development Index of Bihar is 0.367 followed by Assam with 0.386, Uttar Pradesh with 0.388, Madhya Pradesh with 0.394 and Odisha with 0.404.

Question 17.

Which country has proclaimed 'Gross National Happiness' as the measure of a country's progress?

Answer:

Bhutan has proclaimed 'Gross National Happiness' as the measure of a country's progress.

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